

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

April 16, 2008

Stan Huckaby, Treasurer
National Republican Senatorial Committee
425 Second Street NE
Washington, DC 20002

Response Due Date: May 16, 2008

Identification Number:

C00027466

Reference:

Year End Report (12/1/07-12/31/07)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 5 items:

- 1. Schedule A supporting Line 15 of your report discloses an offset to an operating expenditure(s) totaling \$12,500 from "Stevens for Senate Committee" for "Vendor Refund-Survey Research." Please amend your report by providing the name and address of the original vendor from which you purchased these services. Also, please clarify whether the refund came from the candidate's account or the vendor's account.
- 2. Schedule A of your 2007 April Monthly Report discloses a transfer totaling \$2,857.24 from "Open Seat & Challenger Fund," which is a joint fundraising committee affiliated with your committee. In the additional text field you state, "Transfer of net JF Proceeds-Donors previously disclosed." Please be advised that a memo Schedule A must be provided to itemize your committee's share of the gross contributions received through the joint fundraiser(s). The memo schedule should itemize each individual who has contributed an aggregate in excess of \$200 during the calendar year, and provide the amount of unitemized contributions received. In addition, the memo schedule should itemize your committee's share of all contributions from political committees, regardless of amount. Please amend your report by providing the omitted memo schedule(s) or provide clarifying information regarding this activity. 11 CFR §102.17(c)(8)(i)(B)

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3. Schedule A of your 2007 March Monthly, April Monthly, July Monthly, October Monthly, and Year End Reports combined, disclose transfers totaling \$664,000 from the "McConnell Majority Committee," which is a joint fundraising committee affiliated with your committee. The sum of the entries itemized on the memo Schedule A, however, total only \$662,250.

Please be advised that a <u>memo</u> Schedule A must be provided to itemize <u>your committee's share</u> of the gross contributions received through the joint fundraiser. The memo schedule should itemize each individual who has contributed an aggregate in excess of \$200 during the calendar year, and provide the amount of unitemized contributions received. In addition, the memo schedule should itemize your committee's share of all contributions from political committees, regardless of amount. 11 CFR §102.17(c)(8)(i)(B) Please clarify this discrepancy.

- 4. Schedule A supporting Line(s) 11(c) of your report discloses a receipt(s) from "McConnell Senate Committee," "The Senator John Warner Committee," and "Alexander for Senate 2008" which requires further clarification. For example, if this activity represents a transfer of funds, please indicate "transfer" on Schedule A supporting Line 11(c) of your report. If this activity represents a reimbursement for services provided to this committee, please indicate this on Schedule A supporting Line 15 of your report. Please amend your report to clarify the type of activity this receipt(s) represents.
- 5. Please clarify all expenditures made for "Direct Mail," "Catering," "Facility Rental," "Facility Rental/Catering," "Facility Rental/Staging/Catering," "Fundraising Consulting," "Fundraising Phone Calls," "Message Phone calls," "Photography Services," "Postage," "Printing," "Publications," and "Subscriptions & Publications" on Schedule B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E, or F supporting Lines 23, 24, or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to

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taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1152.

Sincerely,

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